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In re Application of: Confirmation No.: 3106

Hiroyuki IKEUCHI et al. Art Unit: 1793

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AN AQUEOUS-LIQUID-ABSORBING

AGENT AND ITS PRODUCTION PROCESS:

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

For:

In response to the March 18, 2010 Office Action and the July 7, 2010 Advisory Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows.